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Readers' RESPONSE

To the Editor:

Your editorial "Love or Perish," in the Evangel, July 7, was so wonderful. I enjoyed it so much. I wish every Christian and minister of the gospel—regardless of affiliation—could read it. To me the sin of today is jealousy and envy. May God richly bless you again and again.

FRANKIE ALDERMAN

Orlando, Fla.

To the Editor:

My wife and I would feel lost without the Evangel. I don't like the word paper for the Evangel—it is more a messenger of good tidings. I love the sermons of great preachers. It seems to me that the Church of God has some of the greatest preachers in the world.

Praise God for the Church of God and the teachings of the Holy Bible.

CHARLES BUTLER.

Dayton, Ohio

To the Editor:

Just a line of appreciation for the article concerning the work in the State of Nebraska. Since the publication of the article, the Hastings and the Auburn churches have been supplied and I have on file the names of several of our ministers who are interested in working in a mission state.

I have said this before—if our people or ministers are confronted with the need of our Church, they have and always will respond.

JAMES R. RAY, Overseer

Lincoln, Nebr.



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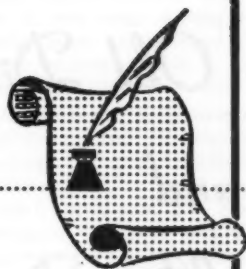
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Pedants and Scholars

The Editor's Message

A PEDANT IS a stuffy fellow. He has a degree of intelligence and learning. He can talk with some authority on one or more subjects. This is all good, but there is a tremendous fly of conceit in the ointment of his learning. You see, the pedant knows how much he knows and is determined to let you know it too. He has not gained knowledge because knowledge will help him to be a better servant of God and mankind, but has gained knowledge for knowledge's sake. He wants to know so that you will know that he knows. Actually he is a conceited and unpleasant fellow who misses no opportunity of telling you how many schools he has attended and how bright he really is. If he makes you feel stupid in doing so, so much the better, for that makes him appear all the brighter.

A scholar is what a pedant wishes he were. He has knowledge and still seeks more knowledge—not that he might flaunt and display it, but that he might use it for the benefit of others. You may know him for quite awhile before you realize that he is truly a scholar, for he will make no effort to reveal it to you. He uses the power of his intellectual energies like heavy artillery instead of pedantic Fourth of July fireworks. His concern is over the benefit and effectiveness of what he knows while the pedant's concern is over the brilliance of its display. Both have enough knowledge to benefit mankind but only the scholar is unassuming and unpretentious enough to use it for beneficial causes. The pedant prefers to use his intellectual energies more selfishly and gaudily. To him the real joy of being educated is that of demonstrating his brightness.

Now a true scholar is quite a different fellow. He wants to know things because knowing them will make him a greater contributor to God and society. He makes no deliberate attempt to reveal his superior intellect, neither does he remain quiet with a smug air of confidence when he could and should speak. He does not scorn what others know, or disdain their knowing simply because they

did not receive their learning at the same place and in the same way that he received his. The true scholar is intelligent enough to recognize knowledge in others and can respect that knowledge whether it is the result of experience, self education, or a multitude of college degrees. Pedants are not big enough or wise enough for this. To them all knowing is contained in the place and method of the learning.

Are you a pedant or are you a scholar? Do you know and desire to know more just so you can have the name of knowing, or because you really want to be a blessing to others. Dr. Albert Edward Wiggam has given "Ten Marks of an Educated Man." How do you rate in the light of these: "(1) He keeps his mind open on every question until the evidence is all in. (2) He always listens to the man who knows. (3) He never laughs at new ideas. (4) He cross-examines his day-dreams. (5) He knows his strong point and plays it. (6) He knows the value of good habits and how to form them. (7) He knows when not to think, and when to call in the expert to think for him. (8) You can't sell him magic. (9) He lives the forward looking, outward looking life. (10) He cultivates a love for the beautiful."

If these are ten marks of an educated man there are also five ways to determine whether or not you are a scholar—as contrasted with a pedant: (1) The scholar's reason for knowing is to advance society; (2) He makes no deliberate display of what he knows; (3) He does not have a cocky or smug attitude about his knowledge; (4) He never disdains what others know regardless of how they learned it; and (5) He is constantly in search of truth and is never afraid to discard traditional beliefs when they are proved to be wrong.

While the pedant is a stuffy fellow, the scholar is a splendid person to have in the church, in the community, or wherever he might be. It is the fervent hope of all thinking people today that from the graduating classes throughout the world today there will be enough scholars to offset the perennial bumper crops of pedants.

Hell of the Old Dispensation and Hell of the New Dispensation

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Rev. C. L. Barker
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BELIEVE THE FIRST place in the Bible hell is mentioned is in the song of Moses where he said in Deuteronomy 32:22, "For a fire is kindled in mine anger, and shall burn unto the lowest hell." Hell here in the Hebrew means Sheol—Hades, the world of the dead, its accessories and inmates; also grave, pit, hell. If there is a lowest hell, there must be an upper hell to this place where the inmates dwell or stay.

We also have the description of hell given in Luke 16:19-31 by the Lord Jesus while still on earth, while the old dispensation was still in force. Jesus makes it very plain that there were two compartments in hell at that time—one where the rich man cried in torment for only a drop of water to touch his parched tongue, the other where Lazarus was in comfort in Abraham's bosom, with a great gulf fixed between. What was Abraham doing in upper hell? He is the Father of the faithful.

Let us see who else was expecting to go there. David, a man after God's own heart, said in Psalm 16:10, "For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell."

Then he did expect to go there, but not to be left there. Job said in Job 14:14, "All the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come." Job expected to wait for his change somewhere. Yes, in hell. He also said in Job 19:25-27, "For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: Whom I shall see for myself and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me." Job expected his Redeemer to "change" or "redeem" him, and as far as he was concerned it would be a latter day. These men expected to go to Sheol—Hades, grave, pit, hell—and wait for their Redeemer.

There were two compartments of hell and the law abiding children of Israel expected to go to upper hell. The Old Testament saints could not go directly to heaven for they were only pardoned. Anyone who is pardoned is still guilty, although he is not punished for his guilt. If I step on your toe and I am a gentleman, I say, "Pardon me." Because you are a gentleman you pardon me, and we forget the matter, but I am still guilty of having stepped on your toe. And so it is that those who are pardoned are still guilty. Pardon is an Old Testament phrase, and is never used in the New Testament in connection with the salvation of the soul. The New Testament word is justification. Let us see what justification does for us. Romans 3:24, 25, "Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God." Now what is a justified man? He is one who has had the righteousness of Christ placed under his name in heaven instead of his own guilt. Therefore, he is as free from sin as Christ, "Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth." This justification is obtained through faith in the blood, so there is a great difference be-

tween the Old and New dispensations. Under the Old, they all went into hell; those that were pardoned in upper hell and those that were not pardoned, into lower hell. Under the New, we are justified, made free from sin as though we had never sinned.

What were the Old Testament saints waiting for in upper hell? David said, "Thou wilt not leave my soul in hell." Job also spoke of seeing his Redeemer; so they were looking for their Redeemer to come after them and not leave them in upper hell and that is just what Jesus did. When He died on the cross, He went into hell. 1 Peter 3:18, 19, "For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit: By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison." Ephesians 4:8-10, "Wherefore he saith, When he ascended upon high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)" Peter preached on the day of Pentecost and said in Acts 2:27, "Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption." This refers to David's not being left in hell and Christ's not seeing corruption. I am told by good undertakers and morticians that corruption does not set in until after the third day. Acts 2:31, "He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul (Christ's soul) was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption."

Yes, Jesus died for us on the tree, that we might be justified through faith in his blood and went into upper hell and preached to the Old Testament saints that they might be saved. Acts 4:12, "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." It is not the will of God that any be lost. And He (Jesus) told John in Revelation 1:18, "I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death." So Christ conquered death and hell and bruised Satan's head. Genesis 3:15, "It shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel." When Jesus rose from the dead he led the Old Testament saints out, and some of them were seen on the streets of the holy city. Matthew 27:52, 53, "And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, and came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many." Yes, upper hell is empty now for Jesus liberated those who were there, but what about the New Testament hell?

Let us see what the word means in Greek because it was written in Greek. *Gehenna*, which means a place of everlasting punishment, is the Greek word used for hell or Valley of Hinnom. The Valley of Hinnom was a place where the rubbish and garbage was dumped over a cliff and set on fire hundreds of years before Christ. The fire had never gone out.

Sometimes the flames licked at the sky and at other times burned so low that it seemed to be almost out, but it was only drying out the garbage so that it would burn. Christ used this as a figure of hell, as a place of eternal fire or eternal punishment—"Where the worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched."

A number of scriptures describe the hell of the New Testament and its inmates. Matthew 8:12, "But the children of the kingdom shall be cast into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth." David said they should never see light. The expression, "weeping and gnashing of teeth," certainly has reference to the punishment. Matthew 25:46, "And these shall go away into everlasting punishment." 2 Thessalonians 1:8, 9, "In flaming fire taking vengeance upon them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord." Revelation 14:9-11, "... If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name."

This is not a very pleasing picture, is it? But it is the picture the Word of God gives about hell. No, hell is not here on earth while we are living. No, the Lord does not send us to hell. Our own neglect does that. The people in hell do not want us there, and there is not a doubter in hell. Everyone there believes. Many a soul who had good intentions, but never put his good intentions into practice will be in hell. Some have said, "Some day I will be saved," while the Word of God says, "Today is the day of salvation." I believe if you could uncap hell, that you would find that no one wanted to go there or intended to go there, but all expected to change sometime. But the lust of the eye, the lust of the flesh, the pride of life, ambition for worldly honor, and pleasures of sin held them spell-bound. They loved their sins and failed to give them up until too late. Death was then upon them, and they were lost. I pray that everyone who reads these words will consider where they will spend eternity and be saved.

Worship liberates the personality by giving a new perspective to life, by integrating life with the multitude of life-forms, by bringing into the life the virtues of humility, loyalty, devotion and rightness of attitude, thus refreshing and reviving the spirit.—Roswell C. Long.

Florida Camp Meeting Re-emphasizes the Fundamental Doctrines of the Church

The unprecedented success of the Florida camp meeting, though truly amazing, is not surprising when one considers the prayer, skillful preparations, and planning on the part of the state overseer, the Rev. A. M. Phillips, and his assistants, as well as the competent leadership exemplified in the execution of this program and the efficiency with which each speaker, musician, and worker performed his duties. And most important, the anointing of the Holy Ghost that was manifestly present in every service. With these factors properly coordinated, the high and lofty purpose of the Florida camp meeting was achieved with greater success than had been previously envisioned. The ultimate aim of every camp meeting, which is to get souls saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost, as well as to inspire Christians to deeper consecration and renewed devotion to duty, was wonderfully achieved in this 1958 camp meeting.

The theme, though unannounced, was very forcefully enunciated by the tenor of the messages and the direction of the Holy Ghost as the services proceeded. The theme was predominately spelled out by the inspired preaching that dealt primarily with the great doctrinal principles of the Church of God. By these great truths the masses of mankind may still be stirred to deep conviction and their spiritual needs in this day may still be met. These teachings around which the Church of God is built have brought it to where it is today and will continue to carry it on to greater victory.

Brother Ray Hughes, the evening speaker, and Brother M. G. McLuhan, the morning Bible instructor, both contributed tremendously to the crystallizing of this theme by their forceful messages that dealt primarily with the great cardinal truths of the Bible as they relate to Calvary, holiness, and the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Each morning in the Bible discussion, hearts were thrilled and minds were enlightened with deeper revelations of God's Word as Brother McLuhan delved into these great subjects with his splendid presentation. The greatest evidence of the

force of Brother Hughes' messages was in the testimonies given by the large numbers of hungry seekers who filled the altars each evening when he gave the invitation. These as well as great sermons preached by others, including the assistant general overseer, the Rev. James A. Cross, and the president of Lee College, the Rev. R. L. Platt, and other out-of-state guests, all contributed to what appears to have been the greatest camp meeting in the history of the Church of God in Florida.

It was marvelous, in this modern day, to experience old-fashioned camp meeting interest and spiritual fervency which was exemplified in a manner comparable to those of earlier days of camp meeting fame when straightforward gospel preaching brought sinners to repentance and Pentecostal revivals were born. As in other years, in response to the evangelistic messages each evening, many people—teen-agers as well as older folk—filled down the aisles to the altar, coming not only from the pews but from among the large crowd standing on the outside of the tabernacle. We do not know exactly how many came, but it is certain that a great number received wonderful experiences of salvation, and many received the Holy Ghost.

The accomplishments of the churches for the past year as shown by the financial and statistical reports were very gratifying with a gain shown in nearly all departments. The state overseer, Brother Phillips, reported over twelve hundred new members in the past twenty months and eighteen new churches. Brother Homer J. Boatman, the youth director, had a fine youth program during camp meeting and reported splendid accomplishments in his department for the year. The Willing Workers' department was well represented by their president, Sister Phillips, and the fine program which they gave.

A message by the Honorable Spessard Holland, U. S. Senator from Florida, was of great interest not only to the church but to the general public. His presence brought television photographers

and news reporters who gave a good coverage of his part on the program. His presence and interest in the camp meeting reveals a magnitude of national influence which the Church of God has not always enjoyed. The Church's being recognized on a national level certainly will enable it to do more effective service for God in the future. The senator expressed compliments for the singing, the message, and the large attendance, as well as the work of the Church. He stated that, while they in Washington were carrying on unceasing debate to determine solutions to national problems in the government, it was inspiring to know that such large numbers of people in the nation were worshipping God and helping to carry on good government. He urged Christians to participate in political activities and stated that if the good people did not take political responsibilities, they could be assured that the not-so-good would run the government. His visit was a blessing and through him we anticipate that official Washington shall know more about the Church of God.

The message of Florida camp meeting is one of reassurance to the whole Church of God that Florida is on the right track. This is a day of some frustration and confusion among Pentecostal believers and the definite trend in some circles is away from these fundamental, Biblical principles of spiritual emphasis toward the more material and physical needs of mankind. But it is apparent that God is again stabilizing His people in the cardinal doctrines of the Church which He has honored in the past and is reaffirming—those things which are pertinent to the work of the Church and the saving of the lost.

The abundant blessings of the Florida camp meeting has reassured the Church of its course, given greater inspiration and determination to the ministry and laity to continue in the old landmarks with greater vigor and to persevere in those things which shall eventually crown their efforts with eternal victory.

—J. D. Free, pastor
Largo, Florida

Wisconsin - Minnesota State Convention

When we think of state conventions, we usually associate that thought with fellowship, great preaching, souls being blessed, and the moving of God's Spirit. Those who attended the Wisconsin-Minnesota state convention June 5-8 witnessed all of these and more, for truly God was with us.

The convention was held in the newly purchased Minneapolis Church. All the visiting delegates admired the beauty of this fine structure. But more than this, they worshiped and glorified their God.

In the first service, the Rev. Earl P. Paulk, Sr., Assistant General Overseer, gave indication of the great preaching that was to follow as he spoke to us on "The Zeal of God's House." The Rev. Paulk ministered to the convention twice daily, and on each occasion his messages were informative, inspiring and God-anointed. He spoke on the following subjects: "The Cross," "Choosing the Right Course and the Eternal Results," "Taking Over or Possessing the Land," "Christian Doctrines," "Missions," "Forgetting and Reaching Forth." Every message was timely and Spirit-filled.

We were privileged at the convention to have with us another fine camp meeting speaker, the Rev. J. E. DeVore, pastor, Minot, North Dakota. The Rev. DeVore set

our souls on fire for God with his messages on "We Would See Jesus" and "The Certainty of Our Victory."

Throughout most of the convention Brother Wayne Proctor, pastor, Summit Church, Chicago, Illinois, was with us and his presence added much to the convention. On Saturday morning he spoke to us concerning "God's Message." His message proved to be a blessing to our souls.

Friday morning our capable state overseer, the Rev. W. J. (Bill) Brown, told us of the "Power of Jesus and the Early Church." During his message he stressed the importance of prayer and stated, "I believe in pastoring a church on your knees." Not only was his message of superior quality, but also his leadership of the convention.

The L.W.W.B. had charge of the Saturday afternoon service under the able leadership of Mrs. W. J. Brown, state president. She presented a skit entitled "The Organized and Unorganized L.W.W.B." We appreciate Sister Brown and the work she is doing to create interest among Willing Workers' Bands throughout these states. Because of her untiring efforts, several new bands have been organized since the General Assembly.

Saturday night was youth night, and the program was under the direction of our state youth director,

the Rev. B. F. Norris. The prizes in the state publication contest were awarded to the winners. A good musical program, arranged by the Rev. Norris, included a ladies' chorus from Minneapolis, a song of prayer by a duet from Kenosha, and a trombone solo by a member of the Mosinee Church. Everyone enjoyed the well-arranged program.

There will be other great conventions and camp meetings. Most of them will be larger than ours, but you will find no finer preaching, no more unity among the ministers and laity and no more of the Spirit and blessings of God upon His people than was demonstrated at the Wisconsin-Minnesota state convention.

The Rev. James N. Layne, host pastor, and the people of the Minneapolis Church are to be commended for the hospitality shown the visiting delegates.

As we look back upon this blessed occasion, we have no regrets and no criticism to offer. We only want to praise God and thank Him for what He has done. As we turn our attention back to our fields of labor, we can do so with renewed courage because our souls have feasted upon the good things of God. Truly, it was good for us to have been present at the Wisconsin-Minnesota state convention.

—Jack H. Adams, reporter

The Great Texas Camp Meeting

From the time of the first announcement of camp meeting, people from all over the "Lone Star State" began planning to attend. Vacations were scheduled and plans were begun so that the fond anticipations of another heaven-blessed camp meeting could be a reality.

Several days before the meeting, owners of homes on the beautiful spacious grounds were making ready for the occasion. Shouts of welcome and greetings from Church of God people were everywhere to those pouring in from all over the state, some coming many hundreds of miles. Thanks be to our God for every blessing, for God truly smiled on His people by sending the cool, refreshing winds to drive away the intense summer heat.

At 7:30 p.m., Monday, June 16, the sacred old hymns opened the great Texas camp meeting, which was a time of refreshing rejoicing in the Lord. After songs, prayer, and Scripture reading, the formal opening to almost a full week of Pentecostal fellowship began under the leadership of our two state overseers, the Rev. C. W. Collins, of Northwest Texas, and the Rev. J. H. Walker, of Southeast Texas, each serving in the camp meeting alternately.

Our evening speaker, the Rev. C. R. Spain, overseer of Michigan, delivered a dynamic message the very first service. The fire and fervor soon spread over the entire congregation, thus bringing the fire of Pentecost throughout the camp, which flames rose higher each succeeding night. His message Tues-

day afternoon on "Evangelism" was one of the greatest challenges to all the people during the entire camp.

In the morning service of June 17, the Rev. David L. Lemons, our morning speaker, began his inspiring lectures on the Church. Every morning the numbers continually increased with greater interest, enthusiasm, and appreciation, as he unfolded the blessedness and benefits of the Church. His messages were a great blessing to everyone.

Wednesday was Youth Day. The enjoyable morning service was under the direction of the Rev. Mac Symes, Sunday School and youth director of Southeast Texas. The afternoon service was under the direction of the Rev. Joe Bailey, Sunday School and youth director of Northwest Texas, when a timely

message by the Rev. Cecil Knight, Assistant National Sunday School and Youth Director, blessed the camp meeting.

Thursday the Rev. Earl P. Paulk, Assistant General Overseer, brought an outstanding message on "Ministerial Ethics." One could hear compliments on this message for several days, and I am sure we will never really forget this wonderful sermon. His other messages also were very timely. Brother Paulk, speaking on missions, poured his very soul out to us and made us all to feel our great responsibility.

Thursday afternoon our Ladies' Willing Workers' Band, under the direction of Mrs. J. H. Walker and Mrs. C. W. Collins, the state presidents, presented a program that made us aware of the fact that our L.W.W.B. holds a most important place in the church and deserves our loyal support. We could never do without them. We say, "God bless you, ladies, for your noble work."

Friday, as all our camp meeting days, began with the sunrise prayer service which started each day off

right. After a children's church program, under the direction of Mrs. Edgar Darter and Sister Alexander, the Rev. Cecil Bridges, Superintendent of the Church of God Home for Children, Sevierville, Tenn., brought a Children's Home program. These programs were heart-touching and we Texans take our "hats off" to the fine job being done in caring for our children at our national home in Tennessee.

Time and space will not permit my giving in detail all the outstanding things that took place during this great meeting, but we feel a deep sense of gratitude to all those who helped to make the camp meeting the success it was. We appreciated the messages by the visiting ministers, the Rev. R. L. Platt, President of Lee College; the Rev. Lewis J. Willis, Editor of the *Lighted Pathway*; and the Rev. T. R. Morse, Business Manager of our publishing house in San Antonio and Assistant Superintendent of Latin America. We were happy to have with us the Rev. E. C. Thomas, Business Manager of the Publishing House, Cleveland, Tenn.; the Rev. V. D. Hargrave,

overseer, Western District Spanish work; the Rev. O. M. Hume, Louisville, Ky.; the Rev. and Mrs. S. J. Wood, Oklahoma; the Rev. John Dement, New Orleans, La.; and many others. Singers and musicians and all the various committees helped to make this a most enjoyable time together.

The Rev. J. H. Walker, overseer of Southeast Texas, and the Rev. C. W. Collins, overseer of Northwest Texas, worked together so well and so untiringly to make this camp meeting the success it was. They are to be commended for a job well done and for the fine work that has been accomplished during this two-year term in Texas. May we say, "Thanks," to these fine men who have served and are serving the Church so well. To all the ministers and laity we say a great big "God bless you" for your part.

As the fond farewells came, many eyes were filled with tears. With firm handshakes and "God bless you" we parted until we meet again in another great Texas camp meeting or in the one in the skies.

—C. R. Thomson, Chairman
Publicity Committee

Showers of Blessings at Missouri Camp Meeting

Those who missed the Missouri camp meeting because of the forecast of rain, missed one of the most refreshing times, spiritually speaking, that could come in any weather. The rain continued with but short intervals of sunshine, but the power of God rained under the tabernacle in all the services.

God certainly directed us in obtaining the services of Brother Raymond Crowley of Salisbury, Maryland, as our night speaker. We immediately felt God's anointing in Brother Crowley's first message, and each night it was the same with the altars filled with those seeking salvation, the Holy Ghost Baptism, and healing. Christians were made to feel more keenly the need to intensify their efforts to win souls for Christ.

The morning Bible study was profitable to the laymen as well as the ministers. The Holy Spirit blessed hearts as Brother Alford expounded the Word. This was Brother George Alford's fourth year as our morning speaker, and his ministry of the Word has been of great value.

The visiting speakers, Brother Brady Dennis, Arkansas state over-

seer; Brother L. E. Painter, Kansas state overseer; and Brother C. E. French, pastor in Benton, Illinois, gave us messages to hide within our hearts to remember in the days ahead. The different messages through all the camp meeting seemed to blend together to serve the purpose of the Spirit in our hearts.

The L.W.W.B.'s presented an interesting program under the direction of Sister B. E. Ellis. The play, "A Sight to See," was well presented by the cast and blessed the congregation. A shower was given for Sister Ellis as a token of appreciation for her.

Youth day was well planned by Brother Christopher Moree, the state youth director. Brother Polen represented the National Youth Office, and it was a pleasure to have him speak to us again and thrill our hearts with his great love for our youth. We appreciate very much the work that Brother and Sister Moree have done in the Sunday School and youth departments of our church.

We were happy to have Brother James A. Cross, Assistant General Overseer, to preach for us and rep-

resent the general offices. His message on Christ could have been given only by someone intimately acquainted with Him.

The mission service, with Brother Paul H. Walker, Executive Mission Secretary, bringing the message, stirred out hearts to the need of doing our best for missions while we have time and opportunity.

Brother R. L. Platt, Brother Marvin Golden and Brother A. T. Humphries visited us from our Lee College. The Missouri Chapter of the Lee College Alumni Association was reorganized and officers elected. A sermon on music by Brother Humphries opened our eyes to our neglect of an important part of our church services. He made us to see how needful is thorough preparation of the musical part of our services.

Because of the time limitation for state overseers, Brother Ellis will be leaving the state after the Assembly. We regret to think of his leaving, but we all appreciate the hard work and great accomplishments during the time he and his family have been in Missouri. We pray God's blessings on them wherever they labor in the Church of God. —Floyd Medlin, reporter

Blue Grass State Camp Meeting Report

If we should check the statistics, we could come to the conclusion that the Kentucky state camp meeting was a great success. The meetings were well-attended from the morning prayer meeting until the close of each night service.

The attendance of the morning services were unusually good because of the great gospel teachings of Rev. David Lemons, state overseer of Arizona. Brother Lemons' instructions laid a solid foundation for our faith in God.

One of the best-attended afternoon services was under the direction of Mrs. T. A. Perkins, the state L.W.W.B. president. Sister Perkins is to be commended for the interesting and unusual way that she presented the work of the L.W.W.B. to the congregation. During the service a beautiful trophy was presented to Mrs. J. B. Youngblood and the ladies of the Richmond Church for the award of first prize for the largest amount of money raised by any L. W. W. B.

The night services attained a mark of excellence as Rev. Danny Drake from Pomona, California, ministered the Word of God. His sermons on the second coming of Christ, the Ark of the Covenant, and the Church will long be remembered. Numbers of hungry souls filled the altar each night and many received God's blessings for their souls.

The leadership of our state overseer, Rev. T. A. Perkins, was outstanding. He not only did an outstanding job of moderating the services, but also contributed to the spirituality of the camp meeting with a powerful sermon on "God's Measurements."

Other statistics help complete the story and show that the State has shown great gains during the past year. This was evidenced by the interest shown in the Gold Star Standard. One year ago we had 4 churches recognized at the camp meeting as having reached this mark. This year there were 54 that qualified as a testimony to the outstanding progress the State of Kentucky has made.

The youth department had one of its greatest gains in recent years. Under the able leadership of Rev. William E. Holcombe the Sunday Schools and the Young People's Endeavors set new records of attendance, breaking all previous records. A very successful Tug-O-War Contest was conducted during the year and on youth day of the camp meeting prizes were awarded to the following pastors:

First prize—Autowind Benrus watch; Eugene Ratliff, Pastor of Freeburn.

Second prize—clock radio; Leland McQueary, Pastor of Columbia.

Third prize—35mm camera; J. P. Morgan, Pastor of Dresen.

Fourth prize—Ronson electric razor; Orville Hale, Pastor of Korea.

Brother Holcombe delivered an inspiring message on the subject, "Run and Tell This Young Man."

Statistics alone can never tell the story for statistics cannot measure the blessings of fellowship. Numbers of ministers remarked about the wonderful spirit of harmony among the ministers and laity as well.

A few unsolicited comments overheard during the course of the camp meeting will tell the rest of the story:

James Parrott (first night), "Souls will surely pray through in services like this."

O. M. Hume (second night), "We are having a camp meeting."

Levi McGeorge (third day), "Anyone should be proud to shake hands with a man who can teach like Brother Lemons."

D. B. Hatfield (fourth night), "Isn't it good to be here?"

John Adair (fifth night), "This certainly has been a good one."

Everyone returned to his local church with a greater zeal to work for God and His church.

—James B. Youngblood, reporter

South Carolina Camp Meeting and Convention

The South Carolina camp meeting was phenomenally blessed of God. The colossal cathedral of steel was jammed. People came from many surrounding states. Among the guests were Earl P. Paulk, Assistant General Overseer; L. H. Aultman, Overseer of North Carolina; A. M. Phillips, Overseer of Florida; Vessie Hargraves, Overseer of Spanish work in Latin America; Cecil Knight, Assistant National Youth Director; J. D. Bright, Overseer of Virginia. Brethren from North Carolina, Georgia, and Florida, and also brethren from other Pentecostal movements were present.

The sermons were unparalleled. Billy Sunday Myers, in his own inimitable way, taught the Bible study each morning. C. R. Spain,

a native son of South Carolina, who is now serving as the Overseer of Michigan, was unique in his superb presentations of evangelistic truth. The guest speakers also were at their very best, and every service was under the distinctive leadership of the Holy Ghost.

The music and singing were distinctively Pentecostal. The music committee, under the chairmanship of T. W. Day, carried out their duties in an excellent manner. We heard heavenly music, singing from dedicated hearts, and special talent. The services were reminiscent of the early days of Pentecost.

The predominant feature of the camp meeting was the harmony and fellowship of the brethren. Unity is the atmosphere of Pente-

cost and this explains why the manifestations of the power and presence of God were unprecedented. The most honored Guest was God the Father and God the Son in the Person of the Holy Ghost. Every morning at 6:45 the faithful gathered for the sunrise prayer service. At these services W. M. Granger, James Wiley, J. B. Cole, Lamar Vest, D. W. Moody, and H. R. Giles led the congregation to a closer walk with God. The people were taught to begin the day with God and as a result God was with the people all day. Wave after wave of Holy Ghost glory swept the tabernacle even as the turbulent waves of the sea swept the yielded coast. God's presence was manifested in tongues and interpretations, healings of the sick, salvation of the

lost, sanctification and Holy Ghost fillings of the believers. There is always a newness about the blessings of God. Even those that have attended meetings of this kind for many years received a new touch from the divine hand that was comparable to regeneration. Many lives that had become stale, and many ministries that had become a bit sour through constant contact with the putrescent world received a divine impetus and a Holy Ghost stimulus that completely transformed them.

There was a sadness at the camp meeting too. Our beloved state overseer H. B. Ramsey, is completing his term of office. Brother Ramsey will be missed. He is an able man. He has endeared himself to the hearts of the ministry and the laity through his tireless efforts for God and His church. His messages, that are masterpieces of Christ-centered homiletics, will be missed. His impartial moderation of business meetings will be missed. His friendly comradeship and geniality will be missed. Sister Ramsey, whose life is an ideal complement to his ministry, will be missed; her graciousness and kindness will be missed. The prayers of their many friends will follow Brother and Sister Ramsey and Herman into whatever part of the Lord's work they pursue.

The Ladies' Willing Workers' Band service was conducted by Sister Ramsey. A beautiful sermon-drama, "The Challenge of the Cross," was presented. This service was acclaimed as one of the best ever presented in the interest of the L.W.W.B. As a small token of the high esteem in which Sister Ramsey is held, her many admirers in South Carolina gave her an offering of \$261.50.

Friday was youth day. Brother Thomas Grassano, our affable State Youth Director, was in charge. After the devotions by J. R. Brewer, Mrs. Thomas Grassano was in charge of the junior parade, an outstanding program that demonstrated the talent among the juniors. Each morning at 9:30 the juniors received teachings in a manner that was geared to their understanding in children's church. This was a real blessing to the juniors.

Tremont Avenue presented a skit, "Kathy's Sunday School." Cecil B. Knight, Assistant National Sunday School and Youth Director, preached a soul-stirring sermon, and challenged us as to what it would profit us if we got the gospel to the whole world and then lost our own children.

Several ministers of the state were used on the program. Those in charge of devotions were: W. L. Edgar, L. C. Caldwell, H. T. Durden, G. W. Cooper, A. F. Newport, Bobby

Ross, Marvin Craven, W. O. Crews, J. R. Brewer, J. T. Shealy, Walter Pettitt, Max Atkins, W. R. Craven, Wade Bell, C. M. Jinkerson, Joseph Daniel, and H. G. Mushegan. The ones that brought messages were: Clyde C. Cox, R. V. Dillingham, and Joel Hobbs.

In order for a meeting of this magnitude to be carried on successfully, it was necessary that many committees function. The men showed willing hearts and were eager to do all that they could. While their duties were not prominent before the public eye, they worked willingly, knowing that their work was seen of the Lord. The committees and the chairmen were: entertainment, J. R. Kitchens; finance, F. L. Muller; publicity, T. O. Dennis; bandmaster, C. E. Landreth, children's church, Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Grassano; Home for Children, L. R. Patterson, electrical maintenance, J. A. Belt; general maintenance, J. L. Jenkins; ushers, Walter Pettitt; watchman, J. T. Duckett; caretaker, E. L. Hooper; good neighbor, W. R. Craven; publications, Wade Bell; ministerial examination boards, No. 1, Clyde C. Cox; No. 2, R. V. Dillingham; cafeteria and refreshments, E. F. Munn, Thomas Ashley and J. T. Shealy; Lee College Alumni, C. M. Jinkerson.

The mission service was a great service. Brother Vessie D. Hargrave spoke concerning our work in the foreign fields. In his message he stated: "Today we are faced with that which has never faced us before. There are many forces against us that would hinder us from going when Jesus comes. Here in the states the forces that are against us are those that come by the way of deceit. Many are falling by the wayside because they do not see the snare that the devil is putting against us. There are forces in the foreign fields that are conquering people by the millions. Communism is such a force that captures the minds of the people and then steals their souls. They (Communists) are gaining nine million persons every year in addition to the entire nations they take over. Many Americans are among those nine million. Communism will continue to increase unless we seek God with all our hearts and pray for God to deliver America from this diabolical force." After this stirring message the good people of South Carolina responded with a splendid mission offering.

The camp meeting had to close. The glory of the Lord and His manifested presence will continue to abide in the hearts of those who attended. The camp meeting will be more than a memory. It will be a challenge that calls forth the best that the minister has to

offer. It will be a challenge to the laity that will demand full loyalty and devotion. Repercussions of revivals are now sweeping the state, and only eternity will tell all the good that has been done.

—Linwood Jacobs, reporter



Pray for a friend of mine who has a tumor. Also remember my family both spiritually and financially.

—Isabel Cantrell
DeSoto, Missouri

Pray for me to get well so I can get out of the hospital.

—A Sister in Christ

Pray for my daughter to find a job teaching school and for me to have strength in the Lord.

—Lillian M. Storr
Delray Beach, Fla.

Pray that my dad will be healed and saved. Also that my companion and children will be saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and led into the church.

—A Sister in Christ

Pray for the healing of my body.

—A Sister in Christ

Pray for me as I have just had a serious operation and have bad nerves.

—Mrs. Estelle Dowling
Orlando, Florida

Pray for a very special request.

—A Sister in Christ

Pray for me to be healed.

—Marsie Sullivan
Louisville, Mississippi

Pray for my daughter to be healed and for her and her husband to live together as they have two small children.

—A Worried Mother
Malden, Missouri



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Church Revived

BALTIMORE, Md.—We have just had a successful revival with Sister Shirley Jeroloman as the evangelist. Five were saved, 1 was sanctified, and 1 was baptized with the Holy Ghost. There was a fine spirit of revival and Sister Jeroloman preached under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. The church was revived and everyone enjoyed the messages. Sister Jeroloman is a good, consecrated woman and will be a blessing to any church that has her for a revival. We learned to love her a lot, and we pray that she can come back soon.

—Lounita Hammonds, pastor

Power of God Falling Every Night

SOUTH HENDERSON, N. C. — I want to report a revival now in progress in South Henderson. The evangelist is the Rev. James P. Jackson, who is an anointed man of God. We have just finished the second week of the revival. The power of God is falling every night in the old-time Bible way, adding to the church daily.

Seventy-four have been saved, 50 sanctified, 49 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 49 added to the church, and the revival is still going. The Lord continues to bless in a great way. I have never seen it this way before. Brother Jackson and his wife work together to accomplish the perfect will of God. They will be a blessing to any church. Truly this is a God-sent revival. Praise His holy name!

—Iris Stokes, reporter

Seventeen Saved, Numbers Healed

KELSO, Wash.—We have just closed one of the greatest revivals here in Kelso that the local church has ever had. We began May 25 and went to June 14. The crowds held up wonderfully and the Holy Ghost moved upon the people in every service. People shouted the praises of God and sought God in

the altars. There were 17 testimonies of being saved from sin and 4 to receiving the baptism of the Holy Ghost. There were a number of people healed of different diseases. One person was delivered of the dope habit of 10 years' standing. God is so good and merciful.

The Jubilette Trio of Illinois was the evangelistic party. The trio is composed of Sister Evelyn Zingmark, Patty Carter, and Phyllis Upton. As they prayed, preached, testified, sang, and consecrated their lives to God's work, He certainly honored their efforts.

—Reporter

Revival at Fitzgerald

FITZGERALD, Ga. — The Fitzgerald Church of God has just closed a two-week revival with the Rev. Hilda Hulett, of Macon, Georgia, as the evangelist. There was only one saved, but the Lord was present each evening. Brother Hulett was anointed by God each night and preached the true Word of God. We can recommend Brother Hulett as a man of God who will bless your church with his messages.

—L. A. Yarbrough, reporter

Approximately 400 Saved

ELOISE, Fla. — After enjoying three great weeks in a tent revival, conducted by the T. L. Lowery evangelistic party, at West Winter Haven with the Rev. Corley and his church, we asked Brother Lowery to move his revival over with us at the Eloise Church of God. Brother Lowery felt led of God to come to the church for one week of services. During that week there was such a mighty move of God and the crowds were so great that it was impossible to close and he continued with us another week. Several nights the Holy Ghost moved in such a way that there would be no preaching, but souls were finding the Lord. There were some of the greatest miracles of healing in this revival that I have

ever seen in my life. People returned to testify and praise the Lord for what He had done for them.

During the five weeks that Brother Lowery and Brother Winegar were in the Winter Haven area in the tent and in the church, according to Brother Lowery's records, approximately 400 were saved and scores sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. A total of 122 were baptized in water. There has been a considerable number added to the church from the revival. Churches throughout the area have received members from this meeting.

The baptizing was the most unusual I have ever seen. The Spirit of God covered those attending and many who had not planned to be baptized came shouting into the water with their best clothes on and were baptized. God poured out His power on that great crowd which had gathered for the baptizing.

The Churches of God, Assemblies of God, and all the Full Gospel Churches in this area have unanimously invited Brother Lowery and Brother Winegar to return for an area-wide union meeting in the fall. I can say that this is one of the greatest revivals I have ever attended! —D. L. Franklin, pastor

Souls Found God at Rupert

RUPERT, W. Va.—Once again God has turned the wheels of the chariot of Zion around and met with the people of Rupert, West Virginia. The Rev. J. R. Roper was our evangelist. His singer was John Schafer. Under the inspired messages from God our hearts were stirred each evening. Souls found God to be real, and sick bodies found God was still a deliverer. Rupert will long remember this fine campaign. Sunday School attendance ran high, and crowds were the best in a long time. Pray for us at Rupert.

—Mrs. C. L. Barker

Successful Home-coming at Granite Falls

GRANITE FALLS, N. C.—On Sunday, June 8, we had our annual home-coming at our church, and some of the long-time members said it was the most successful home-coming they had ever had and with the largest attendance. We broke the all-time record in Sunday School with 216, the old record being 184. We had 16 of our good pastors and evangelists with us.

We cannot find words of grati-

tude and praise for what the Lord has done for our church the five months we have been here as pastor. We have a fine group of folk with whom to work.

Psalm 26:3, *The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad.*

—The Rev. Doc Wilbanks, pastor

Members Call This "Greatest Revival"

CHOCOWINITY, N. C.—The Chocowinity Church of God has just closed what the members call the greatest revival since the church has been organized. There were 18 saved, 5 sanctified, 2 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 3 added to the church with a large number expecting to join later.

The Rev. Paul Lanier, Jr., was the evangelist. He is a young man with a message from God that would inspire any church to move forward for God. Several nights the entire service was used by the Holy Ghost. People were saved before the choir had finished singing. Some were healed as they gave themselves to God to be saved. Please pray for us that God may continue to help us move forward for His glory.

—Odell McBride, pastor

Revival Spirit at Sarasota

SARASOTA, Fla.—We had a wonderful time in a recent revival at the Bee Ridge Church of God. Our hearts were encouraged to press forward to the mark of the high calling which is in Christ Jesus.

Sister J. W. Coleman, the pastor's wife, was the evangelist. She preached soul-stirring messages. The Holy Ghost came down in a powerful way until sinners' hearts were broken and they cried for mercy. Six were saved, 4 sanctified, 2 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 3 added to the church.

Thank God, the revival spirit is still in the church.

—Mrs. Beulah Klein, reporter

Thirty-three Saved at Hudson Chapel

UNION, Miss.—I am happy to report a real soul-stirring revival at the Hudson Chapel Church. There were 33 saved, 6 sanctified, and 13 filled with the Holy Ghost. Also there were 10 baptized in water and 8 added to the church. The Lord really blessed in a wonderful way. Brother Lenzy L. Evans, the evangelist, is a student from Lee College.

—Delmas Vance, reporter

Clinton's Greatest Revival

CLINTON, S.C.—May 30-June 22 will long be remembered in Clinton, South Carolina, because it was said to be the greatest revival ever known in Clinton. It was conducted by T. L. Lowery's evangelistic party of Galax, Virginia. All the Pentecostal churches of this area co-operated in this meeting. About 50 ministers attended.

God moved in a mighty way to save and heal the people. People were healed of ulcers, heart trouble, hay fever, arthritis, and deafness. A retired minister, 75 years old, can now read his Bible after being prayed for. The doctor said he would never read again.

Over 300 were saved, many were sanctified, over 100 received the Holy Ghost, and 105 were baptized in water. Many of our churches, as far away as 30 miles, were strengthened. Nineteen united with Clinton Church of God and many of our members were reclaimed. The fellowship was unexcelled. God anointed Brother Lowery to preach and Brother Herb Winegar to sing into the hearts of those who heard them each night. We are looking forward to this evangelistic party coming back to Clinton for another revival soon.

—J. B. Cole, pastor

Radnor Had God-Sent Revival

RADNOR, W. Va. — Radnor Church of God has just closed the most successful revival in its history. We had been praying that God would send a sweeping revival, one that would long be remembered. Praise God, He answered prayer and sent to us Anneta Stephens, Willard, Ohio, and Barbara Statton, Shelby, Ohio. God blessed in a great way every evening. His power was present from the very first night, and continued until the end. There were 12 saved, 9 sanctified, 5 filled with the Holy Ghost, 6 added to the church, and 7 baptized in water. God gave us a fine group of young folks for our labor. Radnor Church wishes to report they are not serving a dead God. He is very much alive and is the same God who divided the Red Sea for Moses. The church was revived and is rejoicing over this God-sent revival. These fine young girls will bless any church.

Space would not permit my saying all the good things about our good pastor and his wife, the Rev. and Mrs. H. S. Porter. When we were scattered to and fro like sheep without a shepherd, they built the church and provided for us a home. Surely goodness and mercy will follow them all the days of their lives and they will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

—Jean B. Sword, reporter

Number Saved at Marietta

MARIETTA, Ohio—The Marietta Church of God had a recent revival with Sister R. E. Justin, evangelist. A number were saved, backsliders reclaimed, and the saints were revived. Sister Justin is certainly a blessing wherever she goes.

—J. W. Vance, pastor

Lord Is Blessing at Bruce

BRUCE, Miss.—We are in a revival here at the Bruce, Mississippi, Church of God with the Rev. James Goff, Tunica, Mississippi. Several have been saved and 2 sanctified. The Lord surely has been blessing.

—W. D. Kendall, pastor

God Pours Out His Spirit

BREVARD, N.C.—The Lord has given us a great Holy Ghost revival at the Brevard, North Carolina, Church of God. For 2½ weeks the power of God was manifested in a great way. Fifty-five were saved, 30 sanctified, 15 filled with the Holy Ghost, 32 added to the church, and a number healed by the power of God.

Rev. James Poe Jackson, of Hixson, Tennessee, was the evangelist. God is really pouring out His Spirit in these last days and we are glad.

—Rev. W. R. Cox, pastor

Mount Olive Has Spiritual Feast

CLEVELAND, Tenn.—The Mount Olive Church of God is happy to report good results in our April revival. The evangelists were the Rev. Cecil Knight and the Rev. C. B. Godsey. Both men were a great blessing to the church. Some members testified to this being the best preaching they had ever heard.

Six were saved, 3 sanctified, 3 filled with the Holy Ghost, 3 baptized in water, and 4 added to the church. We thank God for the great spiritual feast we all enjoyed.

—Reporter

Revival a Great Success

Wheatland, Calif.—We are happy to report that the two-week revival with Ray Halk the first week and Sister Smith and Sister Emerson the second, has been a great success. We had 10 saved, 1 filled with the Holy Ghost, 6 baptized in water, and 2 new families added to the church.

The Lord has really blessed us.

—Velma Snook, reporter



JOSEPHSEN

Mrs. Ida Josephsen, born March 16, 1910, departed this life June 14, 1958, and leaves to mourn her decease, her husband, the Rev. John H. Josephsen, 3 sons and 1 daughter — Marvin, Wayne, Fred, and Ruth.

Mrs. Josephsen and her family united with the Church of God in 1938 and have been actively engaged in the Lord's work since that time.

I am sure the friends and loved ones will appreciate an interest in our prayers.

—Paul H. Walker
Missions Secretary

DUNAWAY

Demus Dunaway departed his life on April 24, 1958, at the age of 63. His funeral was conducted at the Morgantown Church of God by Rev. R. A. Boyles, Rev. J. E. Kennedy, and Rev. G. G. Williams.

Brother Dunaway had been a faithful member of the Morgantown Church of God for approximately 35 years. His passing is sincerely mourned because Brother Dunaway always had a wonderful testimony, and he really loved the Word of God. He found his choice scriptures in the Book of Job and hid them in his heart. They were a great source of comfort in his last days. Those who knew him loved and admired him for the devoted and dedicated life he lived. He served the church faithfully with his presence and tithes. He served as a member of the finance committee.

His passing away is keenly felt by his family and friends alike.

—Rev. J. E. Kennedy, pastor

KIRKLAND

On May 12, 1958, Sister R. F. Kirkland departed this life following a sudden heart attack. At the age of 61, Sister Kirkland went home to be with the Lord.

For the last 30 years she was a faithful member and Christian worker in the Church of God. In 1944, she was married to the Rev. R. F. Kirkland. During her 14 years in marriage with Brother Kirkland, she worked faithfully as a minister's wife in the home and in the

church. Much of her later years was spent in the work with her husband in New Mexico, Arizona, and Colorado. Her home church was Marietta, Florida. She came to be with us in Madison, Florida, July 1, 1957. She was loved and respected by all who knew her.

Interment was in the Edgewood Cemetery, Jacksonville, Florida. We know that our loss is heaven's gain.

—Mrs. G. F. McCullough, reporter
Madison, Florida

RHEMEL

On June 20, the Lord called home Sister Gladys Rhemel, wife of the Rev. Harvey Rhemel, our pastor at Linton, Indiana, Church of God. Left to mourn her home-going are her husband; a daughter, Mrs. Joan Chubb; and 4 sons—Junior, Jack, Jerry and Jimmy. The father and mother also survive. A host of friends and relatives will greatly miss her.

The funeral was conducted at the Linton Church of God. The Rev. William Simpson, district pastor, directed the service; the Rev. Sam Edmonds, the Rev. Walter Miller, and the Rev. Gene Nash assisted him.

We know that our loss is heaven's gain. To Brother Rhemel and family, our prayers and sympathy continue on.

—William Simpson, district pastor

DELK

Mrs. Nettie Cason Delk, 81, a loyal member of the Piney Grove Church of God, Odum, Ga., died unexpectedly on Friday afternoon, June 20, 1958.

Funeral services were held at the Piney Grove Church on Sunday afternoon, June 22. Her pastor, the Rev. M. B. Norris, officiated, assisted by the Rev. W. J. Cothren of the Jesup Church of God, and the Rev. Roy Harris of the Blantons Grove Church of God. Burial was in the Piney Grove cemetery.

Sister Delk was a native of South Carolina but had lived most of her life in Wayne County, Ga. She was saved early in life and in 1921 became a member of the Church of God. With her husband, the late W. A. Delk, she became a pioneer

of the Pentecostal movement in this South Georgia region. Their home became a place of ready welcome for holiness preachers who came their way. They reared a large family in the Pentecostal faith and now truly many sons, daughters, and grandchildren can "rise up to call them blessed." Sister Delk was left a widow in 1926 and continued to train her children in the true paths of holiness. She was regular in her church attendance, loyal in her support of its every program. Declining health forced her to give up much of her active church work in recent years, but all the way she could still rejoice in the blessings of God and was always interested in her church and was ever happy to have her pastor and other ministers visit her.

Sister Delk left many descendants—81 in all. Of these, 4 are full-time ministers in the Church of God. Her son, the Rev. D. H. Delk, is pastor of the Church of God at Albemarle, N. C., and has served churches in the State of North Carolina for thirty or more years. Another son, the Rev. J. P. Delk, is pastor of the Church of God at Swainsboro, Ga., and has served several other churches in that state. Her daughter, Sister Irene Hillhouse, is a well-known evangelist in the southern states, particularly in the Georgia and Florida area. A grandson, the Rev. A. W. Delk, is professor of Biblical Theology at Lee College.

Surviving, in addition to the three children already mentioned, are three other daughters, Mrs. Leroy Jernigan, Screven, Ga.; Mrs. Troy Fore, Gardi, Ga.; and Mrs. Woodrow Bradley, Wilson, N. C.; another son, Jack G. Delk, Jesup, Ga.; a sister, Mrs. W. L. Ratcliffe, St. Petersburg, Fla.; 36 grandchildren, and 38 great-grandchildren.

—A. W. Delk, grandson

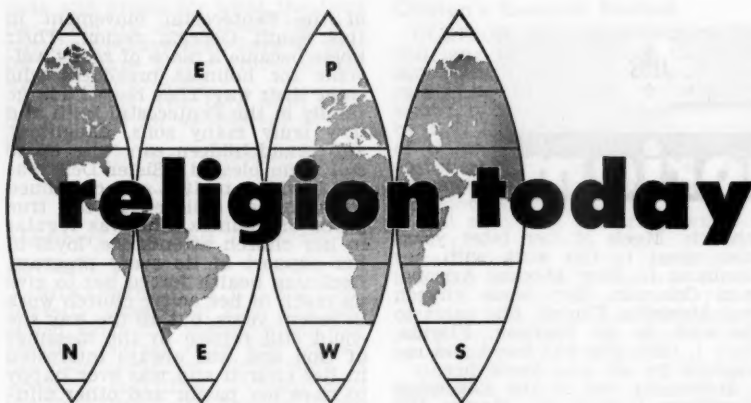
CORDER

On Monday, July 7, 1958, there passed from our midst Sister Alice Hinton Corder, age 73 years. She was a good and faithful member of the Shelburn, Indiana, Church of God. The last time she was able to attend services, she testified of Jesus and His love for her and said she was ready to go. She left to mourn her passing 4 sons, 1 daughter, 12 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren, 2 sisters, 1 brother and a host of friends and loved ones.

The funeral was conducted in her home church by Rev. Charles Standifer and her pastor, Rev. William Simpson.

May God bless those who remain that they too may have this kind of testimony in their lives.

—Reporter



First Auca Indian Convert Baptized in Wheaton Church

Another chapter in Christian history was written Tuesday, April 15, when Auca Indian vengeance upon martyred American missionaries in Curaray jungle waters had its counterpart as baptismal waters welcomed the first Auca Christian convert in a Wheaton church. The convert is Dayuma, a little South American jungle woman who had requested baptism after embracing the Christian faith due to missionary effort.

Dayuma fled from her tribe of Warani Auca Indians several years ago to escape the brutal killings of her tribe, and is, as far as is known, the first member of the Stone Age Aucas to become a Christian. Unusual, too, was her request to be baptized by the president of Wheaton College, the school so closely identified with three of the five missionary men who gave their lives in an attempt to take the gospel to the Auca Indians in Ecuador January, 1956.

Dayuma was flown to the United States a year ago to appear on Ralph Edwards' "This Is Your Life" program featuring Miss Rachel Saint, sister of Nate Saint, one of the five slain missionaries. Since then she has been with Miss Saint at the Wycliffe Bible Translator missionary station in Sulphur Springs, Arkansas. Here she has been imparting her language to the translators and at the same time witnessing to her newly found Christian faith by making recorded tapes in her own tongue for her people. Recently she expressed a desire to "go into the water for baptism" as did Jesus according to Matthew 3:13-16. This was arranged for and performed by Dr. V. Raymond Edman, president of Wheaton College who administered the ordinance of baptism in the

Evangelical Free church of Wheaton known as The Church by the Side of the Road.

Three languages were used in the service. Dr. Carl Armerding, professor of Bible at Wheaton College, brought the message for the occasion in English, while Miss Saint translated it to Dayuma in the Warani Auca language. Renee Padilla, Ecuadorian graduate student at the college, gave the prayer of dedication in Spanish and Richard Jones, son of Ecuadorian missionaries, sang in both Spanish and English. Assisting in the service to which Dayuma also brought her eight-year-old son, Ignacio, for dedication to the Lord, were Dr. Evan Welsh, college chaplain, and the Rev. Wilbur Nelson, pastor of the Evangelical Free church. Reginald Gerig of the college music faculty served as organist.

It was nearly 11 years ago that a little Auca Indian girl witnessed the brutal spear-killing of her father and brother in a tribal revolt. Even her little baby sister was killed with a machete before her eyes. Shocked and saddened by this horror, Dayuma told her mother, Akowa, that she would flee the tribe. With the dawn she fled into the forests where she was captured by Quechua-speaking Yumbo Indians with whom she lived for several years. After the death of her husband and oldest child, Dayuma again took to the forest and was captured by an Ecuadorian plantation owner and made a slave at his hacienda. Here Miss Saint met her and through persistent effort, learned some of the Warani Auca dialect as Dayuma spoke to her.

Dayuma also speaks the Quechua dialect learned while she was with the Yumbo Indians. She was gleefully delighted when Dr. Edman spoke to her in that dialect which he had learned while a missionary among the Quechua-speaking Indians in Ecuador.

Today Dayuma wears western clothes and has assumed the responsibility of her young son. Her former wild life in the forest is still attested to by her independent spirit and the huge holes in the lobes of her ears in which she wore primitive earsticks for many years. "The road to understanding of the Christian faith by Dayuma has been long but very rewarding," states Miss Saint. She conveyed the gospel story to Dayuma by learning from her the Warani Auca legends of a god of the forest.

Dayuma and her son, together with Miss Saint, were flown to Wheaton by the Texas industrialist R. G. LeTourneau and his wife in their private plane. They spent Wednesday on the Wheaton campus and fulfilled a wish of Dayuma's to "take a long look at an elephant" with a visit to Brookfield zoo. She and her son will fly with Miss Saint to her new missionary destination on the lower Napo River in Ecuador some time in May.

(The above report was prepared by the Wheaton College News Bureau.)

Moslem Island Needs Missionaries

MADURA, Java—Madura, a small island just north of Surabaya, Java, with a population of more than 2 million fanatical Moslems, does not have a single resident Christian worker. Although nearby Surabaya boasts more than 65 churches, the island of Madura is virtually untouched by the gospel. A handful of Chinese and Indonesian Christians from neighboring areas labor among the Madurese, but there are few believers on the island.

The Madurese are known as a devout Moslem tribe, quick-tempered and easily aroused. During the Dutch colonial period, Madura was one of the islands where gospel preaching was prohibited. Today, with the door open, there is no one to go.

Texas Pastor's Son Wins Moscow's International Piano Competition

The 23-year-old son of a Texas pastor sent Moscow musicians into a state of rejoicing late in April by winning the Tchaikovsky International Piano Competition. The artist, who "looks more like a misplaced basketball player," was 6-foot 4-inch Van Cliburn whose parents live in Kilgore, Texas. He is a member of Calvary Baptist Church, New York City, and, according to one of his friends, was "probably

praying all through the competition."

Young Cliburn was born in Shreveport, Louisiana, where his parents founded a mission which grew into a church. According to Cliburn's mother, to keep him quiet when he was a small child, she used to give him a triangle to bang on during the church music. When the family moved to Kilgore, Texas, they joined the First Baptist Church where young Cliburn sang in the choir.

During his musical studies in New York, he joined Calvary Baptist Church, just down the street from Carnegie Hall. He sings in the Calvary choir whenever he is not on a concert tour. Recently he gave a beautiful Steinway piano to the church. He is a confirmed tither, according to Assistant Pastor Richard D. Hamilton. He has written hymns and short pieces for the church, and composed a choral setting for a psalm which has been sung on the radio in New York.

Cincinnati to Host N.H.A. Convention

CINCINNATI, Ohio, has been chosen as the site for the 1959 Convention of the National Holiness Association to be held March 31 to April 2.

The Sheraton-Gibson Hotel has been named as headquarters for this 91st annual gathering, convening Tuesday through Thursday the week following Easter Sunday.

Among the organizations that make up the constituency of the N.H.A. are some 500 "camp meetings." The Executive Director, Dr. Paul L. Kindschi, plans to visit several of these camps this summer.

"Real Answer" to Delinquency

The heart of the delinquency problem is the heart of the delinquent himself.

This is the thesis of a new booklet, "The Real Answer to Juvenile Delinquency," written by Dr. Ted W. Engstrom, president of Youth for Christ International, a worldwide interdenominational organization specializing in teen-age evangelism.

"While it is true that many factors are involved in the making of a juvenile delinquent," states Engstrom, "I cannot help but remind myself that teen-agers are human beings with the power to reason and make their own decisions."



family devotions



MRS. RUTH STARNES, Greenwood, S. C.

Memory Verse: "For what nation is there so great, who hath God so nigh unto them, so the Lord our God is in all things that we call upon Him for? And what nation is there so great, that hath statutes and judgments so righteous as all this law, which I set before you this day?" (Deuteronomy 4:7, 8).

Monday, September 1
Scripture, Psalm 119:129-136

We are told that a seed contains hydrogen, nitrogen and carbon. When planted it will reproduce itself. A seed may be made by man, but it would be artificial, lacking that which causes it to grow. If planted it would not produce because the life principal is missing. The Bible contains this life principal. If the Word of God is planted in the heart of a man with receptive soil, it will grow and produce a born-again experience with God. By studying the Bible and applying the rules contained therein, man can find the answer to the problems of life.

Pray for a better understanding of the Word of God.

Tuesday, September 2
Scripture, Psalm 119:1-16

The cleansed life is a victorious life. The person who would keep himself unspotted from the world must constantly stay in touch with God through prayer and the study of God's Word. Sin is bold and blatant in the land. A return to the Word of God will cause people to reform their lives. The key to abundant living is to study the Bible and apply its principles to our everyday life. A person whose mind is saturated with the Word is fortified against temptation.

Pray for a better understanding of the use of the Word of God in our everyday lives.

Wednesday, September 3
Scripture, Genesis 1:1

The Bible opens with a declaration that God is. As its pages pass on we learn more about the eternal God. Our very breath is dependent upon God, as are the other necessities of life. Our hearts are filled with awe as we behold our God reigning on His throne in heaven, yet stooping to comfort mortal man. So many know God as a Master to be feared, but few know Him as a Friend who will stick closer than a brother. God invites us to know Him both as Creator and as a loving Father.

Pray today for a better personal acquaintance with God.

Thursday, September 4
Scripture, 1 Peter 4:12, 13

Many times a person is prone to think he is alone in his temptations. He is almost driven to despair thinking no one else has had a similar trial. But as we scan the pages of the Bible we find like situations in the lives of men and women. What a comfort to the troubled heart! There are so many lonely, aching hearts in the world, yet God desires to comfort man if he will only search for His answer in the Word of God.

Pray for the tempted and tried.

Friday, September 5
Scripture, Romans 10:17

A great evangelist once said he prayed for faith, but faith never came. He was one day reading the Bible where he was told faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God. He began to read more and his faith was increased abundantly. Faith is a tender plant which must be cultivated. Reading of great faith in the lives of others in the Bible helps our faith to grow. The Word comforts, inspires, and feeds the soul. Our faith can mount up as on eagle's wings as we read and heed the Word of God.

Pray for those weak in faith to be strengthened in God.

Saturday, September 6
Scripture, Nahum 1:7

The Bible describes to us the refuge we have in the Lord. God is sovereign in the world. Regardless of how wicked men may work, God still holds this universe in His hands. The future destiny of the world will be according to His will. Let us not become weary in well doing for there is coming a reaping day for those who faint not. He that endures to the end shall be saved. Let us cast our cares upon Him for He cares for us. The Word is a sure anchorage for men through all the storms of life.

Pray for our ministers in authority that God will lead them to help point the way for others to find refuge in God.



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